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FOR YOUR INFO FLWG MSG SENT TO SENATOR AMATA KABUA OCT 9TH QUOTE

DEAR AMATA: THOUGHT BEST TO COMMICATE WITH YOU DIRECTLY ON YOUR

DISPATCH 080640Z OCT 1976 CONCERNING UPCOMING SOUTH PACIFIC

COMMISSION

CONFERENCE SINCE IT APPEARS MR. GEORGE ALLEN MAY HAVE APPRISED YOU

COMPLETELY ABOUT BACKGROUND OF THIS MATTER. MY DISPATCH 052304Z OCT

1976 WAS IN RESPONSE TO MR. ALLENS LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 6, 1976 THE

SUBSTANCE OF WHICH WAS TO REQUEST TIPI SUPPORT FOR MARSHALL POLITICAL

STATUS COMMISSION AND RPT AND NITIJELA REPRESENTATIVES TO BE ACCORDED

OBSERVER STATUS AT SPC CONFERENCE. SINCE SPC IS REGIONAL BODY CONCERN

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SUCH AS DISTRICT POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSIONS. YOU MAY NOT BE AWARE

THAT THE SPC SECRETARIAT, THE BODY THAT EXTENDS INVITATIONS TO RECOGNIZED EDUCATIONAL AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES AS OBSERVERS TO THEIR MEETING HAS ALREADY RESPONDED NEGATIVELY TO REQUEST FROM MR. ALLEN. SPC MEMBERS HAVE BEEN VERY WATCHFUL TO ENSURE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL MATTERS OF AN ARE ARE NOT RECOGNIZED IN CONFERENCE SO AS NOT TO ENDANGER PRIMARY PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE. I HAVE TOO MUCH RESPECT FOR THE MARSHALLS LEADERSHIP TO PUT THEM IN POSITION OF POSSIBLE EMBARRASMENT BEFORE THIS PACIFIC ISLANDS FORUM. RECOGNIZING DESIRE OF DISTRICT LEADERS TO BROADEN THEIR SPHERE OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AID PROGRAMS CONTACTS, WE EXTENDED INVITATION TO NITIJELA VIA MY DISPATCH TO MR. ALLEN TO NAME A REPRESENTATIVE TO SIT WITH TTPI DELEGATION AS OBSERVER AT SPC CONFERENCE. SIMILAR INVITATION EXTENDED TO PONAPE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FROM LEADERSHIP OF THAT BODY. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, MR. DWIGHT HEINE IS INCLUDED IN TIPI DELEGATION TO THIS YEARS SPC CONFERENCE AS REPRESENTATIVE AND DISTAD OSCAR DEBRUM HAS ALSO SERVED IN RECENT PAST. I HOPE I HAVE CLARIFIED MATTERS FOR YOU. WOULD LIKE TO ASSIST WHEREVER POSSIBLE SO PLS CONTACT ME IF FURTHER CLARIFICATION IS NEEDED. BEST REGARDS.
PETER T. COLEMAN, ACTG HICOM. UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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